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re the Application of: Akira OKADA et al.

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RESPONSE TO ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents P. O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the requirement for an election of species dated April 26, 2005, applicants provisionally elect to prosecute Species I, (e.g. Figure 4) without traverse. It is believed that claims 1-8 read on the elected species. The applicant reserves the right to file divisional applications on the non-elected claims.

The applicant respectfully requests an early examination on the elected claims and favorable action on the merits. If the Examiner has any questions with this Response, please feel free to call the undersigned at the indicated telephone number.

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If this paper is not timely filed, Applicants respectfully petition for an appropriate

extension of time. The fees for such an extension or any other fees that may be due with respect

to this paper may be charged to Deposit Account No. 50-2866.

Respectfully submitted,

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